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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 13, 2007, applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections therein in view of the enclosed remarks.

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